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1. DR. FAROUK GARRANA, DIRECTOR OF MISR CHEMICAL COMPANY, TOLD CONGEN JANUARY 14 THAT HE IS VERY EAGER TO HAVE US COMPANY UNDERTAKE MAJOR EXPANSION GOE IS PLANNING FOR ALEXANDRIA SODA ASH PLANT, ONLY ONE IN EGYPT. HE HAS AS YET HAD NO RESPONSE TO TRADE OPPORTUNITY WE SUBMITTED IN EARLY NOVEMBER (REFTEL C). REFTELS A AND B COMMENT ON POTENTIAL FAVORABLE POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS OF US PARTICIPATION.

2. HE SAID TECHNICIANS OF FRENCH COMPANY "KREBS" (PHONETIC) ARE AT PRESENT STUDYING PROJECT, BUT NOTHING FIRM YET UNDER DISCUSSION. GARRANA SAYS HE VERY DISAPPOINTED WITH QUALITY AND FUNCTIONING OF ROMANIAN EQUIPMENT IN EXISTING PLANT. HE TOLD MIN INDUSTRY, WHEN DECISION WAS MADE TO PROCEED WITH EXPANSION TO DOUBLE OUTPUT, THAT THIS WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT IF LEFT TO ROMANIANS. HE WAS AUTHORIZED TO SEEK OTHER

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CONTRACTORS AND TECHNICIANS.

3. GARRANA SAID GOE WILL SEEK IBRD OR OTHER FOREIGN FINANCING
FOR AT LEAST PART OF \$25 MILLION COSTS.
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